

Amendment No. 1 to SB0264

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 264\***

**House Bill No. 966**

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3401, is amended by deleting subdivision (a)(3) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a)

(3) Intentionally or knowingly causing physical contact with the person of any personnel attending or assigned to any public school that could reasonably be regarded as extremely offensive or provocative, or threatened violence against the same at any time, on or away from school property;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3401, is further amended by deleting subdivision (a)(9) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a)

(9) Using vulgar, obscene or threatening language directed towards a principal, teacher, school bus driver or other school personnel at any time, on or away from school property;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3401, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(i)

(1) Notwithstanding subsection (g) or any other law to the contrary, a principal, principal-teacher or assistant principal of any public

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school in this state shall suspend any pupil from attendance at the school, including its sponsored activities, or from riding a school bus, for knowingly or recklessly causing bodily injury to a principal, teacher, school bus driver or other school personnel, at any time, on or away from school property;

(2) Any suspension required by this subsection (i) shall begin immediately upon conclusion of any action required by subsection (c) and shall not prevent a school from complying with the requirements of subsection (c).

(3) Readmission following the suspension period shall not be granted unless the parent or legal guardian of the offending student meets with the principal or the principal's designee.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.